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DAMAGE TO FRUIT CROPS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether fruit crops including orange, grape, cashewnut and mango have been damaged due to untimely heavy rains in Maharashtra during 2010;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of financial assistance provided/proposed to be provided by the Government to the farmers of Maharashtra?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION PROF. K.V. THOMAS

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. As reported by the State Government of Maharashtra, due to untimely rains during January to March 2010, about 6079 hectare area has been damaged under various fruit crops, which include 1190 hectare area under orange, 38 hectare area under grapes, 13 hectare area under cashewnut, 241 hectare area under mango and 4597 hectare area under other fruit crops.

(c): Proposal for providing financial assistance of Rs.389.71 lakh to farmers for area affected till March 2010 has been submitted to the State Government.